

Meeting Minutes

Date: 1.27.25

Time: 7:00pm

Location: virtual

Facilitator: Yara

Note-Taker: Chris K

1. Attendees:

- Patrick Smith (staff), Yara El-Emam, Bryn Olsen, Tara McLeod, Heather Dehn, Lindsey Sheveland

2. School Update:

- Student Council Fun Days coming up this week - 6th grade, Wednesday - LIVE in SchoolTime for them to sign up for which activity they want to do. 6th & 7th hour students get to participate in activities of choice - swimming, arts & crafts, gym, movie, etc.
- Conferences - virtual scheduled for tomorrow, MOVED in-person date due to cold weather day, Tuesday, Feb. 4. Pushed out a bit to accommodate scheduling needs, arranging interpreters, etc. Tara- THANK YOU for changing staff dinner plans at the last minute!
- Boundary meetings - 2 community meetings have occurred already. The purpose of those meetings- share details of the 4 possible scenarios for boundary changes. Parent feedback was encouraged. NOW- feedback will be looked at, determine if edits need to be made; will come back with 1-2 final scenarios to final 2 meetings: March 4 @ NVMS, March 19 @ OMS. School board has final vote, parents/public do not vote.
 - The new boundaries will occur in 2026, could affect current 6th graders for their 8th grade year. Mostly impacts current MGMS students who live in Brooklyn Center

3. Budget Update:

- From Dec. 1 - today - \$40,506.88 - 4 deposits, 2 of which were donuts. Current cash in account: \$42,127.89. No withdrawals. Some reimbursement forms have been submitted, will be reported next month.
- Additional funding request:
 - Organization, rewards, class parties- Stoesz- \$148.30
 - Patrick - We typically don't fund furniture however everything else (classroom material) is fundable
 - Yara moves to approve - \$123.31- Board approves (since under \$250)

4. By-Law Updates:

- Inclusion of Communications Coordinator and Volunteer Coordinator
- Change of fiscal year to align with school year
- Adjustment to terms of officers to encourage overlap & easy transition
- Security safeguards for banking and contracts
- Indemnity of PACT officers, board members and foundation (parents/guardians) members

All updates will be posted on PACT webpage for review & voting will take place at Feb. meeting
Quorum is *at least* 4 non-board PACT members

- Our PACT meetings are not getting posted on social media - can Erika (in office) do it? Can Bryn? Can Andrea add one or more of us to post? We'd like to post about meetings as well as events & requests for volunteers. Should PACT have their own Facebook page?
 - Patrick approves of PACT having their own page- ask MGMS FB page to share the link to our FB page, encourage folks to join/follow. Tara will set up page, Bryn will maintain.
- Yara is in the process of working with the staff person in charge of PACT webpage on MGMS website to update site. Possibly to include: calendar for the year, volunteer sign up links, pictures of events, etc.- more interactive.

5. Event Updates:

- Fun Days & Candygrams coming up
 - 2-3 volunteer spots still open for 7th and 8th grade days
 - Candygrams volunteers all set
 - Tell Me About It (career exploration) speakers still needed- contact Yara or Kendra if interested. Specifically requesting a veterinarian (Patrick will reach out to someone) & a dentist (Patrick will reach out to Dr. Pink- Crimson Care in Maple Grove)
- Upcoming Events:
 - Fun Days - Jan 29 - 30th
 - Winter Conferences - Feb. 4
 - Candy Grams - Feb 6 - 13th
 - Tell Me About it - Feb 27 -28th
 - Kindness Event - March 31 - Apr 4th
 - Food Drive - March 10-14
 - Spring Conferences - May 1

- Family Movie Night - May 2nd
- Staff Appreciation Week - May 5-9
- 8th Grade Celebration - June 6

6. Next Meeting Date:

- February 24, 7pm - Virtual